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Mr. F. C. Turner  
Federal Highway Administrator  
U. S. Department of Transportation  
Washington, D. C. 20591

Dear Mr. Turner:

This is in response to your letter of September 17, 1969, to Mr. Richard Helms, alerting the Central Intelligence Agency to Federal Highway Administration plans for upgrading and expansion of facilities in the Fairbank Highway Research Station in McLean, Virginia.

On October 10, 1969, I met with Mr. Charles Scheffey, Chief of the Fairbank Highway Research Station, to discuss expansion plans. I indicated to Mr. Scheffey that the Central Intelligence Agency had expressed in writing its interest in the Scattergood-Thorne property on June 16, 1958, November 28, 1965, and January 12, 1968. We have recently initiated our planning for additional construction at our Langley Headquarters, and it is our hope that your Research Station's plans and the Agency's plans will result in the accommodation of our joint interest. The Central Intelligence Agency now has invested in the West Parking Lot and the heliport approximately \$500,000; this property is needed by the Agency under present as well as under future arrangements.

I have asked Mr. Scheffey to brief you on our discussions with the hope that our interest in the West Parking Lot and our future interest in the Scattergood-Thorne tract can be incorporated in the planning.

Sincerely,

53 OCT 1969 J. L. Bannerman

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